

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Appln. of: EK

Group Art Unit: 3733

Serial No.: 10/760,965

Examiner: PHILOGENE, Pedro

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Docket: STD00.01CIP2CON

Customer No.: 32047

Confirmation No.: 1498

For: **SYSTEM AND METHOD FOR JOINT RESURFACE REPAIR**

Mail Stop Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**AMENDMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.111**  
**AND TERMINAL DISCLAIMER**

This is in response to the Official Action mailed November 6, 2006. The present Amendment is being filed within the three-month time period for response set in the action of November 6, 2006. Accordingly, Applicant believes that no additional extension of time is required. However, Applicant conditionally petitions for an extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked. Also included is a credit card authorization for the Terminal Disclaimer fee. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any required fee not otherwise provided for herein.

Please amend the application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 6 of this paper.